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To keep open lines of communication with Yakama Nation Tribal Council, Administrators, and Programs.	The Wapato CSOA meets with the Yakama Nation HEW Committee Chairperson when necessary or requested.	Keep open positive communication lines to best serve clients.	Oscar Olney CSOA, Wapato CSO <a href="mailto:olneyol@dshs.wa.gov">olneyol@dshs.wa.gov</a> 509-877-5106  Yakama Nation HEW Committee Chairperson	The Wapato CSOA will send the Yakama Nation HEW Committee updates.
	The Wapato CSOA meets with the Deputy Director of Human Services.	Meet monthly to keep communication open.	Oscar Olney  Deputy Director of Human Services	Monthly meetings will be held.
	The Wapato CSO staff work cordially with the NakNuWe Sha Program, Commodity Foods/LIHEAP Program, Contract Care, AAOA to provide services.	To alleviate any problems, questions, or concerns on the application/benefits to clients.	Wapato Staff and Yakama Nation staff	The staff will work together on a daily basis so client benefits can be processed quickly.

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Open lines of communication (continued)	The Wapato CSO houses the Indian Policy Liaison, who helps coordinate DSHS services and consult on program and policy issues.	Allows quicker response time to solve Tribal members' issues.	Wapato CSOA  OIP Regional Manager	The Indian Policy and Liaison is still housed in Wapato.
	The Wapato CSOA meets with the Yakama Deputy Director and Program Managers to discuss eligibility, policies/procedures and special income limits.	To enhance services through knowledge of DSHS programs and how they affect clients	Oscar Olney  Yakama Nation Deputy Director and Program Managers	Will meet in September 2014.
	The Wapato CSO shares employment and training opportunities with Yakama Nation	To share information with Yakama Nation to enhance opportunities	Oscar Olney  Yakama Nation Personnel Office/members	Job announcements will be sent to Yakama Nation Personnel Office, HSD, and members. Training opportunities are sent to HSD and Personnel Office also.

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To share data and information with the Yakama Nation.	Share data regarding Yakama Nation and Native American participation, sanction rate, and other aggregate data to help Yakama Nation plan and provide coordinated services.	Collaboration and coordination for services and support services for clients	DSHS--Wapato CSO, DVR, CA  BIA Social Services  Yakama Nation Deputy Director of Human Services.	Will begin to share more data.															
				Number of Yakama Nation Tribal Families receiving benefits through the CSOs:															
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Note: Awaiting data from HQ Data Research. Will update and re-submit.																			

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To share data and information (cont.)	The Wapato CSO and Yakama Nation Commodity Food Program work together on Yakama client eligibility.	Assist clients to get food assistance quickly.	Wapato CSO staff  Commodity Food Program staff	Staff works together on a daily basis to make sure there is no duplication and eligibility for client is timely and accurate.
	The Wapato CSO works with the Cultural Program to help Yakama members and other Native clients in WorkFirst.	Assist Natives in participating with WorkFirst activities by allowing them to go to class with the Cultural Program.	Wapato CSO staff  Program Manager of the Cultural Program.	Will meet with Cultural Program to set up placements.
	The Wapato CSO works with the Yakama Nation Business Tech Centers. We will also update Centers with WA Connect.	Assist Yakama members access services and to help overcome transportation and child care barriers.	Oscar Olney  Yakama Nation Business Tech Center Managers	We will work with the Yakama Nation Business Tech Centers.

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To share resources (cont.)	The Wapato CSO works with Yakama Nation Housing Authority and Noah's Ark to assist with housing needs.	Assist Yakama members with housing issues and refer homeless clients to Noah's Ark shelter or Transitional housing.	Wapato CSO  Yakama Nation Housing Authority.	The Wapato CSO will work with Yakama Nation Housing Authority and Noah's Ark Homeless shelter in Wapato.
	The Wapato CSO works with Casey Family Program, NakNuWeSha, and DCFS to help children, relative caregivers, and assist with projects for foster children.	To assist with the care of children placed in relative/ foster care.	DSHS--Wapato Staff, CA  Casey Family  NakNuWeSha	We will continue working with the agencies and the Tribal Navigator to assist Yakama families in need.
Work together with the Yakama Nation and assist Yakama members' access to DSHS programs and supports.	The Wapato CSO and the Yakama Nation Diabetes Program work together to inform Wapato Staff and clients about Diabetes.	To inform staff and clients about Diabetes; healthy foods and cooking; and, exercise.	Yakama Nation Diabetes Program  Wapato CSO staff	Diabetes info and activities will be updated on a regular basis.

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Work together... and assist with programs (cont.)	The Wapato CSO participates in Yakama Nation Treaty Day activities. Go to parade and setup info booth.	To assist with community outreach efforts and awareness to Yakama member.	Wapato CSO and Yakama Nation Treaty Day Parade organizers and Cultural Center.	Will attend Treaty Day Parade—DSHS will have a float and info booth.
	The Wapato CSO will participate in Fall Fest and Spring Jam held at White Swan.	To assist members with access to DSHS programs and supports, enhance awareness.	Wapato staff and Yakama Nation Alcoholism Program and White Swan School.	Will set up info booth at Spring Jam and Fall Fest held in White Swan to increase community awareness and access to DSHS programs.
	Presentation at Yakama HeadStart.	Increase awareness for teachers so they access and make referrals for families and students in need of DSHS services.	Wapato CSOA and Yakama HeadStart	Will meet with All-Staff of Yakama HeadStart to explain DSHS programs and encourage staff to refer families and students in need to DSHS for assistance.

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Work together... and assist with programs (cont.)	The Wapato CSO participates with the schools, YN Alcohol Program, YN Housing, and community coalitions to assist with underage drinking, substance abuse, and gang interventions.	Work as community partners to bring health and wellness to all communities on the Yakama Nation Reservation.	Oscar Olney Wapato CSO Staff Schools Yakama Nation members Community Coalitions	We will setup at Crime Night Out functions and the Health/Career Fair.
	The Wapato CSO invites Tribal liaison from DCFS to sit in on Non-Compliance Sanction meetings.	Assist Yakama members to understand WorkFirst requirements and make sure we are all understanding responsibilities of each other.	Wapato CSO Staff DCFS Staff Yakama members	At the Non-Compliance/Sanction meetings, the Liaison will be called.

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Work together... and assist with programs (cont.)	The Region 1 Community Relations Coordinator will schedule CSD/DSHS presentations to HeadStart staff/parents and Yakama Nation Programs.	Give Yakama Nation members and employees an overview of programs and services to help access and referral.	Community Relations Coordinator  Yakama members and programs—begin scheduling now.	We will meet this upcoming year.
To assist Yakama Nation members who are homeless with access and communication.	Work with Yakama Nation on a method of communication to assist homeless individuals in receiving DSHS letters.	Reduce the number of Yakama Nation homeless clients cut from service due to loss of contact; increase communication	CSOA, Yakama Nation, homeless clients	We have setup mail boxes at shelter and homeless individuals can get their mail there when they check in.  Will work with BIA Social Services.
Explore ways to improve access to programs and services	Work with Yakama Nation and area partners to improve CD access for fathers.	Increase the number of Yakama Nation “fathers” accessing CD treatment	Oscar Olney  Yakama Nation Alcohol Program  Partner Agencies.	We will work with the Yakama Alcohol Program.



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Explore ways to improve access to programs and services (continued)	Expedite SSI approval process for Yakama Nation members that are diagnosed with cancer.	Increase the number of Yakama members approved for SSI that are diagnosed with cancer.	Region 1 Management  SSI Management  Yakama Nation	We will continue to have dialog around this issue for the upcoming year.
Improving access for Yakama members	Working with WA Connection and Yakama Program to assist programs get Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act (CHIPRA) grant	Increase Yakama Nation members' access to services of DSHS/Health Benefits.	WA Connection  Yakama Program Mgrs.	We will meet and follow-up with Contract Care, Behavioral Health, HeadStart, YN Business Tech Centers, CHR, MCH, I.H.S. Public Health, and Alcohol Program.
	Working with Yakama Nation Law and Justice to setup Diversion/Rehab Counseling/GED	To assist Tribal members get assistance while incarcerated.	Region 1 Staff  Indian Policy  Yakama Nation Law and Justice staff	Will continue with assisting Yakama Nation.